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<u>Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States -</u> Foreign Military Sales Order II (FMSO II)

WASHINGTON, September 21, 2011 -- The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress today of a possible Foreign Military Sales Order II (FMSO II) to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States for an estimated cost of \$52 million.

The Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States has requested a FMSO II to provide funds for blanket order requisitions, under the Cooperative Logistics Supply Agreement (CLSSA) for spare parts in support of F-16A/B, F-5E/F, C-130H, and Indigenous Defense Fighter (IDF) aircraft. The estimated cost is \$52 million.

This sale is consistent with United States law and policy as expressed in Public Law 96-8.

This proposed sale serves U.S. national, economic, and security interests by supporting the recipient's continuing efforts to modernize its armed forces and enhance its defensive capability. The proposed sale will help improve the security of the recipient and assist in maintaining political stability, military balance, and economic progress in the region.

The recipient requires continuing procurement and repair of aircraft spare parts through the USG's FMSO II program in order to sustain and keep flyable its military fleets of F-16, F-5, C-130, and IDF aircraft. The spare parts to be procured and/or repaired under this proposed sale are critical for maintaining their fighter and transport aircraft in operational condition.

Procurement of these items will be from many contractors providing similar items to the U.S. forces. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government personnel or contractor representatives to the recipient.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

This notice of a potential sale is required by law and does not mean the sale has been concluded.